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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 25, 2002, please amend the above identified application as follows. A version of the claims marked to show the changes is attached under the title: "Marked Version To Show Changes Made In Claims."

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Twice Amended) A sorbent cartridge for use in preparing samples for chemical analysis, comprising:

a pipette tip having a longitudinal axis and a hollow distal tip with tapered walls defining an interior cavity extending along the axis and having an opening at a distal end of the tip which opening is not covered by a porous barrier;

a porous barrier in the tapered cavity placed at a predetermined location in the tip to define a sorbent volume between the barrier, the cavity walls and the opening at the distal end of the tip, the barrier allowing processing fluids to pass through the barrier; and